

Announcements

September 23, 2018

2018 3rd GRADERS receiving Bibles today from Messiah's LWML and Sunday School are: Georgiana Ammon, Marek Ashcraft, Aaliyah Atencio, Gregory Bruner, Mayleigh Davis, Cal Diedrich, William Diaz, Greyson Nordine, Ryan Schultz.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR is again available for students Preschool -High School. **Class Locations:** Pre-School-4th Grade meeting in **Extended Day Room**, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Schultz, teachers; Grades 5-8 are in the **Library**, Mr. Hobus, teacher; High Schoolers should find the **Youth Room** and Pastor Schmidt, teacher. **Come join us!**

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP (5th-8th grade) will meet TODAY, September 23rd, at 3:00pm and on the 2nd and 4th Sundays each month in the Youth Room.

NEW MEMBER CLASS - NO CLSSS THIS WEEK, SEPTEMBER 26th. It's not too late to sign up!! The **New Member Class** has started Wednesday nights at 7:00pm - 8:30pm through November 14th, Pastor Redeker and I will be leading an adult instruction class in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you want to just brush up on your knowledge, grow in your relationship with God, or become a new member; grab a friend and attend this long-awaited study. (Both members and nonmembers are welcome.) Pastor Schmidt

BREAKFAST BURRITOS - Youth attending the National Youth Gathering is selling breakfast burritos TODAY!!! If you ordered breakfast burritos, please pick them up today.

24TH ANNUAL ADULT GATHERING - September 24-25th, the Rocky Mountain District is hosting their 24th Annual Adult Gathering!!! Hear one of my role models, Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, the President of the St. Louis seminary who wisely taught me to "always go for the joke!!!" You'll also be able to have fellowship with other Lutherans from the surrounding area and enjoy your time in Lakewood at Bethlehem Lutheran. There are a few other keynote speakers as well with a theme flowing from the book of Ephesians (4:11-13): Equipping God's People for Ministry in Christ. --Pastor Schmidt

SENIOR YOUTH - *Senior High* youth group (9th-12th grade) will meet Thursdays from 5:30pm - 7pm in the Youth (Multipurpose) Room!!! We will have games, dinner, and a Bible Study. **THIS Tuesday at 6:00pm for Taco Tuesday!!!!**

THE COMPETITION IS ON!!!! Don't miss out this year as—not one---not two—BUT THREE previous champions compete for the Messiah Lutheran Church and School chili cook-off. Liz Vrbas, last year's champion, Tessa Miller, who has championed consistently in the past, and *the new teacher* Dan Schield, also holds the award from another location. Who will win? It could be you!!! Bring your own chili or come and try a bunch of others'. There will also be an auction and fellowship. Come to this event as we continue to work in unifying our amazing church and school!!! It's all going down September 28th at 6:30PM.

SILENT AUCTION - Have you seen the beautiful quilts the Quilt Ladies make? Would you like to own one of them? Now is your opportunity. The Quilt Ladies will have a silent auction of one quilt. The display will be in the entry way by the office. You will have a few weeks to make your bid. Proceeds will go to purchasing supplies to make more quilts.

GRAND VALLEY LIFE CHAIN - Sunday, October 7th, participants will meet at Messiah on the west side at 2:00pm (devotional time) and the Life Chain will be along North Avenue and 12th Street from 2:30pm - 3:30pm for an hour of silent prayer. Everyone is Welcome to join us.

FOOD PANTRY PROGRAM: help needed (clarification on what is needed): Our Messiah church food pantry needs your time and talents to continue to serve the 14 or so families / individuals we help each week. What is needed: **1) Food Pantry Coordinator** – Duties: a) Schedule / coordinate Tues / Thurs morning help with the distribution; b) Assemble food

boxes for the Tues / Thurs distribution & coordinate getting the distribution boxes back upstairs to the Narthex; c) Stock shelves in the pantry; d) Let congregation know what is needed when items get low; & e) Provide monthly update information to the Board of Stewardship / Board of Evangelism to include in their monthly report to Council (Will need to use elevator to get supplies downstairs to food pantry & to get distribution boxes back up to Narthex); 2) **People willing to man the distribution table 9 - 11 am on Tues / Thurs. mornings** – Duties: mostly sitting at table in the Narthex to handle the form completion by recipients; most activity is during the last 2 weeks of the month, when money runs low for recipients (Bring a friend to visit with over a cup of coffee or a good book, especially during the early weeks in the month). If you are interested in helping and available to help each week, please contact the church office. –From your Board of Stewardship. In Christ, Harold

THE QUILT LADIES - Need more hands to help tie quilts. No experience necessary, just a willingness to learn. Please join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:00am.

GREETER COORDINATOR - We're looking for smiling faces to greet people on Sunday mornings!!! Some days it's tough enough to make it to church (constantly fighting our own sin and flesh) and seeing a happy and welcoming face can make all the difference!!! Thank you, Betty Crinklaw, for being that face, please contact the office on a weekday if you can help out!!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT - "But they did not understand the saying and were afraid to ask him" (Mark 9:32). The disciples really do hold up a mirror to our faces and force us to see ourselves: misunderstanding, afraid, confused. But the Word of God is clear if only we will listen with open ears. What was blocking the disciples' ears? The Gospels tell us time and again: they did not expect a suffering Christ, and so when Jesus spoke of suffering they plugged their ears and didn't listen, and so they ended up confused and scared. What about us? What's in the Word of God that we find hard to hear and contrary to our desires and expectations? That might just be exactly what we need to hear. (from the LCMS Stewardship website) -The Board of Stewardship

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY class to be held on Thursdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm Sept. 20 -Nov. 15, 2018; in the Fellowship Hall. Cost (for printed materials) is \$109/ family unit. To sign up, go to the Messiah website [<http://www.messiahlutherangj.org>] and click on the "Enroll Now" button to go to the Financial Peace University registration page. Anyone who has not been through the class before needs to click on the "I need to purchase materials" box to complete their registration & pay. If you're interested in learning more about the group, contact Stacy Krizman (208-2345), Harold Larsen (314-5610), or the church office (245-2838). (Board of Stewardship)

TREASURER'S REPORT - Eph. 3: 20-21 "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think. . . to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." God delights in exceeding expectations and in pouring out mercies in abundance. This truth stands in contrast to our fears about lacking what we need for "this body and life." We have an abundantly blessing God who has proven His love for us on the cross. How could we not trust Him? How could we not respond to His love with generosity and a desire to imitate Him in blessing others? (LCMS Stewardship Ministry - Resources)

As of August 15, we were almost current with our bills, the only outstanding accounts were for payroll liabilities (taxes, etc.) in the amount of \$997.51. However, we must remember that we had five (5) Sundays in July, and school registration the beginning of August, which provided an influx of revenue that will not be sustained with our current level of giving. As of July 31st, we had paid \$10,035.28 less in expense than was budgeted. This was because we

had not paid several bills (District Support, Mortgage, Gas & Electric, etc). Other than the District Support, these were made current after school registration. Please remember that our work plan indicates that we will have monthly expenses of \$7,899.53 more than our monthly income. Prayfully consider what we can do to reconcile that short fall, and please continue to pray that we would have the financial ability to carry out the missions that God has chosen for us here at Messiah.

NEED: YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS! We emailed the newsletter for September. If you did not receive the newsletter we need your email. Please do not assume that we have your email. **If you do not give us an email you will not get a newsletter.** We will make sure that our shut-ins receive them.

GREETERS NEEDED - Greeters are needed for the month of October at 10:30am and the December 10:30am service. Families, couples, women and men are encouraged to volunteer. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. A huge thank you to all who have greeted this year.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - Mark your calendars for October 19 - 20. Deb Burma will be our speaker. Deb has a passion for sharing Christ's redeeming love in a creative, engaging style, touching the hearts of women, meeting them in the moments of their everyday lives, and engaging them in God's Word.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 13 9AM - Sanctuary Wood Cleaning Mark your calendars. You don't have to be on a committee to come help us dust and polish!

TRUNK OR TREAT! Our Fall Festival will begin Saturday, October 27th at 3:00 pm as members and school members present their decorated cars and Treats for our children. We would like to ask for 10 church members and 10 school parents willing to decorate their cars for a Trunk or Treat giveaway for all children to participate in the East parking lot next to 12th Street. Members and parents would decorate their cars and then open their trunks to hand out candy to kids in costume. This year's Fall celebration will give everyone a chance to show off their mad decorating skills!

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - We will study the Gospel of John Monday Mornings at 9:00am in the Library. All ladies of all ages are invited to come and feed on God's Word and enjoy fellowship. If you need more information call Marsha Brodak at 970-243-7647.

MONDAY NIGHT GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We have resumed our study of Abraham on Monday evenings at 7:00pm. If you need more information call Anita at 263-4251.

WEDNESDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY - Matt Powell is back to lead the class Wednesdays from 12:15-1PM. Grab lunch and meet him down in the Fellowship Hall where we will begin discussing the book of Acts together!!! That same day I will also have a Pastor-Led lecture from 11AM-Noon on Wednesdays also covering the book of Acts!!!! ---Pastor Josh Schmidt

THE NEWLY RE-FORMED MESSIAH MEN'S MINISTRY GROUP meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the multipurpose room. We will be starting with some materials provided by Lutheran Hour Ministries and then enjoying discussion and fellowship. This group is a wonderful opportunity to share time and talents amongst the congregation and the community. Please call Matt Powell at 270-3637, or Pastor Redeker at the church office, with any questions.

MAVERICKS OF MESSIAH - We meet on Thursday evenings, at 7:00pm at the Beet Room in the Four Winds Coffee Shop.

FRIDAY MORNING GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We will meet on Friday mornings at 9:30am at the home of Virginia Saunders, 1203-B Club Court. If you need more information call Virginia at 970-245-8218.

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY - Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am - 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. This is an outreach to our shut-ins and other listeners.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - Listen to The Lutheran Hour message each Sunday morning at 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station.

CHURCH CALENDAR - "Pastor Redeker and I would love to share our schedules with you whenever you would like to plan a meeting. It is also important that our congregation is able to organize as they utilize the different rooms and facilities in our wonderful church and school. To make this possible, **please contact the office when scheduling times and places for meetings** as we build up the body of Christ together."

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

5:00pm Joyful Praise Service: 33 8:00am Traditional Service: 82
10:30am 97

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	3:00pm	Junior Youth/Youth Room
Monday	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
	9:00am	Monday Morning Ladies Bible Study/Library
	7:00pm	Good News Evening Bible Study/Neuberger Home
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	6:00pm	Youth Taco Tuesday/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:30am	Chapel
	11:00am	Acts Bible Study/Pastor Schmidt
	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study/Matt Powell/Acts
	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	4:00pm	5/6 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
	5:00pm	7/8 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
7:00pm	NO Adult Information Class/Fellowship Hall	
Thursday	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	5:30pm	Senior Youth/Youth Room
	6:00pm	Financial Peace University/Fellowship Hall
	7:00pm	Mavericks of Messiah/Four Winds
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	6:30pm	PTL Chili Cookoff and Basket Auction
	9:30am	Good News Bible Study/Virginia Saunder's Home
Saturday	5:00pm	Joyful Praise/Communion/Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion